AMENDMENTS

Listing of Claims

The following listing of claims replaces all previous listings or versions thereof:

- 45. (Previously presented) An isolated sentrin- specific protease (SENP) polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence PIH^L/_RXVHW wherein X is a gylcine, lysine or glutamic acid.
- 46. (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 45, comprising at least 25 contiguous amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 8, or SEQ ID NO: 10.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 45, comprising at least 50 contiguous amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 8, or SEQ ID NO: 10.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 45, comprising at least 100 contiguous amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 8, or SEQ ID NO: 10.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 45, comprising at least 150 contiguous amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 8, or SEQ ID NO: 10.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 45, comprising at least 200 contiguous amino acid residues of SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID NO: 8, or SEQ ID NO: 10.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 48, further comprising amino acid residues 400 to 509 of SEQ ID NO: 8.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 48, further comprising amino acid residues 535 to 643 of SEQ ID NO: 2.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 48, further comprising amino acid residues 461 to 568 of SEQ ID NO: 10.

- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 45, comprising SEQ ID NO: 2,
 SEQ ID NO: 8, or SEQ ID NO: 10.
- (Previously presented) An isolated polypeptide comprising a sentrin-specific protease
 SENP1.
- (Previously presented) The isolated SENP1 polypeptide of claim 55, comprising at least
 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 2.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 55, comprising at least 50 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 2.
- 58. (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 55, comprising at least 100 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO: 2.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 55, comprising at least 150 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO; 2.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 55, comprising at least 200 contiguous amino acids of SEO ID NO: 2.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 58, comprising amino acid residues 535 to 643 of SENP1.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 58, comprising amino acid residues 527 to 643 of SENP1.
- (Previously presented) The isolated polypeptide of claim 55, wherein the SENP1 polypeptide comprises SEQ ID NO: 2.
- 64. (Cancelled)
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